

WEST SCRANTON

REPETITION OF XMAS MUSIC

AT SIMPSON M. E. CHURCH LAST EVENING.

Listened to by an Audience That Completely Filled the Church—Last Week of St. Brendan's Council New Home Festival—St. Leo's Battalion Entertainment and Smoker—Young Men Organize. News of the Churches—Funerals and Other Notes and Personals.

The choir of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church repeated the Christmas music last evening to a congregation that completely filled the church. The solos, anthems and choruses were beautifully rendered and elicited much praise from the congregation. The opening number was an anthem, "The Wondrous Story," which was rendered with excellent effect.

Much credit is due the chorister, Professor W. W. Jones, and Organist Walter Davies, also the members of the choir for their splendid work. Violinist Arthur Reese and Cornetist John King rendered material assistance with their instruments during the service. After a hymn and prayer by H. A. Parsons, the tenor solo, "The Star of Bethlehem," was rendered by Thomas Abraham, who sang the difficult selection with ease and grace.

Misses Anna Jones and Helen Thomas sang a duet, "The Babe of Bethlehem," with pleasing effect, and the choir sang the anthem, "Behold I Bring Good Tidings." The Simpson Male quartette gave a splendid rendition of "There Were Shepherds." After Rev. Sweet made the announcements the choir again sang an anthem, "Break Forth Into Joy," and instead of giving a discourse the pastor solo-sung the singing of the hymn by the congregation, "Joy to the World."

This was followed by the female chorus of ten voices, who sang an exquisite number called "Christmas." The closing number was an anthem by the choir, "Sing O Heavenly Hosts," with solo by Miss Kittle. The service was concluded by the congregation and choir singing "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" and benediction by the Pastor.

The personnel of the choir is as follows: Soprano—Mrs. J. H. Sweet, Misses Rachel Jones, Dollie Thomas, Helen Thomas, Eva Kittle, Mrs. Shoemaker, Altos—Misses Thomas, Anna Jones, Gertrude, Tenors—Thomas Abraham, Young Men's Institute, at 122 North Main avenue. Entertainments will be provided each evening and in addition to the plums tree shaking many of the articles now on exhibition will be changed over.

Jones, Mary Jones, Jessie Wrigley, Gertrude Fellows, Tenors—Thomas Abraham, Thomas Thomas, Louis Jones, A. B. Ridgway, Basses—Edward House, Ernest York, Addison Chase, William Sutton, Henry Acker and Harry Wrigley.

Last Week of the Fair.

This week will conclude the new home festival now being conducted under the auspices of St. Brendan's council, Young Men's Institute, at 122 North Main avenue. Entertainments will be provided each evening and in addition to the plums tree shaking many of the articles now on exhibition will be changed over.

On Saturday evening an unusually large crowd was in attendance and vocal and instrumental numbers were given by Misses Kate Reardon, Gertrude McGee and the Rambler quartette. This evening Sidney Hughes and Miss Jordan will entertain.

The following prizes were shaken from the plums tree Saturday night: Ton of coal, James McAndrew; sack of flour, Anna Carey; pair of vases and pair of shoes, James Burke.

St. Leo's Held a Smoker.

At the regular meeting of St. Leo's battalion in their rooms yesterday afternoon a smoker and entertainment was enjoyed by the large number in attendance. Vocal solos were rendered by Thomas Ford, Frank and Michael McDonough and Frank Dillon.

Ten new members were initiated and received into fellowship in the battalion.

Young Men Organize.

The young men of Plymouth church organized yesterday, electing Rev. E. A. Hoyt, president; D. J. Reese, secretary, and Byron Evans, treasurer. The organization will have a lecture under its auspices, January 21, the lecture to be given by Lou J. Beauchamp.

He is one of the best lecturers in the country, known in all states. Committees of arrangements were appointed. First Baptist Church.

Last evening's meeting of the Baptist Young People's union was led by James G. Bailey, and as each and every member felt the desire of starting the new year right, it was one of the most spiritual the society has enjoyed.

In the morning the pastor, Rev. S. P. Mathews, preached from the text, "Week of Prayer," in the evening, "A New Year's Covenant." The most profound interest was taken in the text, as the pastor forcefully presented it.

In the evening the Lord's Supper was partaken of. The annual election of officers took place in the Sunday school. The attendance was very large.

Funeral Announcements.

Services over the remains of Alice, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elias Evans, of North Filmore avenue, were conducted at the house yesterday afternoon. Interment was made in the Washburn street cemetery.

The funeral of the late William C. Beaumont will take place from the house on South Seventh street at 10 o'clock this morning. Services will be held in St. Luke's Episcopal church at 8:15 o'clock, and the remains will be taken to Paterson, N. J., at 10 o'clock, where interment will be made this afternoon.

The remains of Mr. and Mrs. John Hayes' 6-year-old child, were interred in the Cathedral cemetery on Saturday afternoon. The funeral services over the remains of the late Sabina Ketrick will be held at Holy Cross church at 9 o'clock this morning. Interment will be made in the Cathedral cemetery.

Rev. David Jones and Rev. J. D. Sweet officiated at the funeral of the late Thomas P. Jones Saturday afternoon. Representatives of the Odd Fellows and Delawar, Lackawanna and Western Mutual Aid were in attendance. Interment was made in the Washburn street cemetery.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

A testimonial entertainment and social will be held in Mears' hall next Thursday evening in honor of A. P. Hoffman. The talent secured includes Anna Sullivan, Rhoda Clark, Field Brothers, J. P. Eldon, John Washburn, Hoffman and Sweeney, Griffith and Ellenwood, Marie Gilgallon, West and Carroll, Tate and Henley and A. P. Hoffman.

The Japanese wedding, entertainment and social, which was so successfully given in the First Welsh Baptist church on New Year's eve, will be repeated tomorrow evening with the same pretty girls and other pretty effects.

The regular monthly meeting of the West Side board of trade will be held tomorrow evening, when the proposition of changing the name of the organization will be discussed. Rev. William Davies, pastor of the Bellevue Welsh Calvinistic Methodist church, will deliver a lecture on Wednesday evening to his people on "A Trip to Australia and Return." The lecture will be given under the auspices of the Young People's society.

An entertainment and social will be held in the First Welsh Congregational church Wednesday evening under the auspices of the Young People's society. The newly-elected officers of Camp 35, patriotic Order of Americans, will be installed at the regular meeting tomorrow evening. The dime supper will be served on Tuesday evening, Jan. 15.

A meeting of all the West Scranton barbers will be held in John Hughes' shop on West Lackawanna avenue, at 8:30 o'clock this evening, for the purpose of perfecting a permanent organization. Yesterday morning for committing an assault on a man named Morgan, in front of the station house, Saturday night.

A five-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. John Howell, of Archbald street, died yesterday morning. The William Council of Anthracite Globe club will meet in Mears' hall, Wednesday night, for reorganization. They contemplate attending President McKinley's inauguration. The officers are: John H. Phillips, president; William Fowler, secretary; Joseph P. Phillips, treasurer.

A number of society young people contemplate holding a masquerade ball in the near future. The annual week of prayer will begin this evening, with services in the Sumner Avenue Presbyterian church, to be conducted by Rev. E. A. Hoyt. The official board of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church will meet at 7 o'clock this evening.

Special services will be held in the Jackson Street Baptist church, beginning this evening. Rev. D. V. Day, will begin a mission service at St. David's Episcopal church yesterday morning. Revival meetings are in progress at the Hampton Street Methodist Episcopal church. Rev. James Benninger, the pastor, is in charge.

John W. Day, a student at the Chicago Theological seminary, occupied the pulpit of the First Welsh Congregational church last evening. Floyd Robinson is suffering from injuries sustained recently by being knocked down by a horse.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hughes, of North Bromley avenue, were called to Pittston yesterday by the serious illness of the former's sister, Mrs. Jane Jenkins.

BASE AFTER GAGE

Pienty More Like This in Scranton.

Scores of Scranton people can tell you about Doan's Kidney Pills. Many a happy citizen makes a public statement of his experience. Here is a case of it. What better proof of merit can be had than such endorsement?

Mrs. Emma Shaughnessy, of 1366 Remington avenue, says: "I suffered for five years with pains in my back, so severe that at times I could scarcely attend to my household duties. In bed I constantly turned from side to side trying to find a comfortable position. If I caught cold the pain in my back and all the way up my shoulders was so severe that I could scarcely stand it. I tried different so-called remedies, but nothing ever did me so much good as Doan's Kidney Pills. I now know where to look for a remedy if a return of the trouble should ever take place."

For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name Doan's, and take no substitute.

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The Methodist choir of fifty voices will meet this evening to learn the beautiful oratorio, "The Great Light," which will be rendered Easter Sunday. Rev. J. W. Guest, of Fleetville, preached a very interesting sermon, which was refused the warrant, as this is the third or fourth time she has had one issued, and when the constable would go for the prisoner, Mrs. Gilbride would want to drop the case.

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In Holy Rosary church last week Miss Mame McCormick was married to P. J. Gibbons, at 2 o'clock. They have begun housekeeping on Jackson street. There will be a meeting of the King's Daughters of the Presbyterian church at the home of Mrs. Helen Franklin, of Sanderson avenue, this evening at 7 o'clock.

G. O. Thomason and family have moved into their new home in North Park. Green Ridge convales, No. 199, improved Order of Heptacosoph, will meet in Masonic hall, Dickson avenue, this evening.

SOUTH SCRANTON NOTES.

Party Held at the Home of Peter Bohn, of 304 Alder Street—New Officers Installed. A very pleasant party was held at the home of Peter Bohn, of 304 Alder street, Saturday evening, in honor of his twenty-seventh birthday. The evening was very pleasantly spent in playing games of all kinds. A fine programme was rendered by Prof. Kunz, a typist, after which a beautiful lunch was served.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Bohn, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Kunz, Mr. and Mrs. Thees, Mr. and Mrs. Noll, Mr. and Mrs. March, Sebastian Herpster, William Ehrhart, H. B. Kennedy, Frank Burley, William Bohn, Frank Bohn, Peter Bohn, Jr., Ignatz Bohn, and Misses Emma Fuller, Lena A. Bohn, Pauline Herberster, Mary Graeff, Sedna Welkey, Anna Bohn, Josephine Bohn and Miss Norman.

Farewell Party. A farewell party was given Friday night in honor of Micone Tigue at his home, 1403 Cedar avenue, prior to his departure for Buffalo, N. Y., Saturday. Mr. Tigue proposes to make that city his future home. Present at the party were: Miss May Durkin, 24 York city; William Moran, New York; M. W. Doyle, Boston, Mass.; William Flinder, Charles Bailey, Charles Lawler, Philadelphia; Misses Mary Maycock, Mary Tighe, Tessie Scott, Katie O'Byrne, Maggie Shaughnessy, Nellie Heffernan, Katie Wilkin, Mrs. Frank Agnes Manley, Mamie Manley, Barbara Manley, Katie Durkin, Annie Collins, Kate Burke, Maggie Hopkins, Anna Haggis, Sarah Kinney, Maggie Caughan, Ann Tighe, Kate McGovern, Nora Needham, Messrs. John Langan, John O'Byrne, Thomas Malloy, John Tolan, John Shaughnessy, Thomas Burnett, Thos. Dunn, Thomas Tighe, Martin Ratchford, Patrick Kelly, James Needham, Patrick Tighe, John Mayock.

DUNMORE DOINGS

THE DRUMMER EVANGELIST HAD A BUSY DAY.

Delivered Three Addresses Yesterday in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Spoke on "Social Purity" in the Afternoon to a Large Throng of Men—Revival Services Are Very Successful—Alarm of Fire from Box 14—Crowds Hear Rev. Dr. Cobb—Other News and Personals.

"The Drummer Evangelist," Rev. W. H. Williams, had a very full day yesterday, speaking three times at revival meetings he is now conducting in the Methodist church. At the close of the Sunday school he conducted a revival service with the school, when at least thirty-five children came forward for prayer and dedicated their young lives to the service of the Master.

At 4 p. m. he spoke to men only, admitting no boys under fifteen years of age. He took for his subject "Social Purity." At the close of the address, two men came forward for prayers and the forgiveness of their sins. At 7:30 p. m. another very large congregation assembled to hear Mr. Williams. His subject was, "The Young Man and His Company." This was a most inspiring meeting. A very large number arose and requested prayers and asking that the meeting prove a blessing to them. Many also arose and said the meeting had already proved a very great blessing to them.

Miss Daisy Belle Hall, late of New York city, sang at the men's meeting yesterday evening. Her singing was beautiful and produced a marked effect on her hearers. The subjects of her selections were, "Heaven Is My Home" and "Flee, as a Bird." Miss Hall has been secured to assist in the meetings and will sing every night this week.

Rev. Mr. Van Cleft, in company with the "drummer evangelist," visited about one hundred families last week, praying with them and exhorting them to come to the meetings and start the new year and century with their faces toward the hills of the Lord. Mr. Williams subject tonight will be "The Sin Against the Holy Ghost." Mr. Williams spoke at 10:30 a. m. in the Methodist church at Throp. Subject, "Breaking Home Ties."

Briefly Noted. An alarm of fire from box 14, corner of Drinker street and Webster avenue, caused a large throng of people to assemble about 9 o'clock last night. The Neptune, Independent and John B. Smith fire companies were promptly on the scene. The cause of the alarm was a slight blaze in the barn of Mrs. Anthony Welch on Bloom street, which was extinguished before the arrival of the companies.

The Dunmore Dancing class will meet as usual in Manley's hall on Thursday evening. The Tripp Avenue Christian church was thronged on Saturday evening, and the occasion being the reception tendered Rev. Mr. Cobb, of Decatur, Ill., who will conduct services there the remainder of the month. Mr. Cobb conducted the services last night and was greeted by a large congregation who were glad to see that the preacher had lost none of his old-time vigor during the years he has been absent.

This week will be observed as the week of prayer at the Presbyterian church, services commencing each night at 8 o'clock. The clerks' early closing movement has now reached us and a strong effort is being made to induce our merchants to close their places of business at 6 o'clock hereafter.

The members of the school board are expected to meet tomorrow night at the high school. S. J. Snyder, a former resident, but who is now employed by the American News company at New York, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Snyder, of Duquesne street. Miss Mary King, of Pittston, is spending a few days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. King.

REVIEW OF THE CENTURY

(Concluded from Page 1.) They are devoured by an insatiable ambition of conquest and dominion or by fear of invasion. When you see heavy clouds surcharged with the electricity of war hanging over these nations, you may expect the thunder-clap of battle to sound at any moment. Armed nations like armed individuals are a constant menace to one another and are ready to meet to destroy.

And these military forces instead of diminishing are unappreciably increasing every year. As soon as one nation augments its armament, its neighbor feels impelled to do likewise. The result is a race to the armaments, a race to the armaments, a race to the armaments. They have been freely increased with the fact that they can travel from Maine to California without meeting a single soldier. They see that every citizen of the United States is a soldier, and every citizen engaged in the active pursuits of life, and ready at a moment's notice to defend his country. They would feel that we are a strong nation, and they would feel that we are a strong nation, and they would feel that we are a strong nation.

AMUSEMENTS.

LYCEUM THEATRE

Rela & Burghunder, Lessee and Manager. A. J. Duffy, Business Manager. ONE NIGHT ONLY. Monday, January 7. The New York and Boston Success. Special return engagement of DANIEL BULLY, presenting the

Parish Priest

A sweet wholesome play. The theatrical surprise of the season. Humor and pathos deftly combined. PRICES—50c, 75c, 1.00 and 1.50. Matinee, 25c, 50c, 75c, and 1.00. Matinee and Night, WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9. Matinee performance at 2.30. Evening performance at 8.15. Direct from European triumphs. Mr. Sousa and his excellent musicians play fairly fresh of the celebrated caprice—La Journal des Debats, Paris.

Sousa and His Band

Evening performance at 8.15. Matinee performance at 2.30. Direct from European triumphs. Mr. Sousa and his excellent musicians play fairly fresh of the celebrated caprice—La Journal des Debats, Paris. Sale opens Monday at 9 a. m. Prices—Evening, 25c, 50c, 75c, and 1.00. Matinee, 25c, 50c, 75c, and 1.00. Evening Performance at 8.15. Matinee at 2.30. Thursday, matinee and Night. J. K. BURKE'S VAUDEVILLE FESTIVAL.

The following artists will appear: The Four Juggling Johnsons, John D. Gilbert, Cherish Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Esmond, Morton and Elliott, Maud Townsend, Fuller, Moller and Burke, Ferge and Danks. Night prices—25, 50, 75 and 1.00. Matinee prices—25c and 50c; children under 12 years to any part of the house, 15c. Sale of seats will open Tuesday at 9 a. m.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC, RELS & BURGHUNDER HARRY A. BROWN

Managers and Lessees. Local Manager. Three nights commencing Monday, Jan. 7. A. J. Scammon's Railroad Drama. Side Tracked USUAL MATINEES. JANUARY 10, 11 and 12. William Nankville Presents HUMAN HEARTS.

New Gaiety Theatre

A play that touches the heart. Full of pathos, sensation and comedy. Matinee Prices—15 and 25 cents. Evening Prices—25, 50 and 75 cents. COMMENCING JANUARY 7, THREE DAYS. Fred. Rider's Night Owl Burlesquers.

Prices—Matinee 15c and 25c. Evening, 15c, 25c, 35c, and 50c. New Year's matinee, 15c, 25c, 35c, and 50c. Bound to Have Satisfaction. Reiter Lost \$8 at Cards and Years for Revenge.

Louis Reiter, of 317 Second street, is as revengeful as an Indian. Two weeks ago he lost \$8 to Herman Klein, of 420 South Washington avenue, at cards. Last Tuesday Reiter had him arraigned before Alderman Kasson on the charge of maintaining a gambling house. Klein was held under a \$300 bail on that charge. Saturday, Klein was brought before the alderman again, charged with defrauding Reiter of \$8. He was discharged. Klein is a merchant tailor of South Washington avenue, and his friends are in the habit of congregating at his place of business to enjoy a quiet little game. Reiter, it transpired at the hearings, lost \$8 at one of these gatherings, and since then has left no returned to have \$8 satisfaction out of the winner.

RECORDED BONN'S FORCE.

Those Who Will Assist Him in His New Duties. Recorder-elect Emil Bonn announces the following as his assistants:

Miss Hattie Taylor, chief deputy, to succeed A. T. Irvin; Common Council, succeeded A. J. Smith, of South Scranton, to succeed Frank Wetter; Reese Lewis, of Bellevue, to succeed Miss Margaret Lynett; William R. Williams, of Peckville, to succeed Miss Margaret Van Camp, and Miss Maud Moses, Miss Agnes Crossen and Edward D. Morse, of the present force, who are retained.

RATHBONE CASE.

Judge Thompson Sets Aside Sale of Property. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Cincinnati, Jan. 6.—Judge Thompson, of the United States court, has set aside the sale of property at Hamilton, O., involved in the suits against Estes G. Rathbone, late director of posts in Cuba. The property includes two blocks and was sold for \$115,000.

An affidavit was filed by Charles Solingen, a brewer, who said that the property was really worth \$300,000 and that he was willing to pay that amount. It was further ordered that the property be re-advertised for sale and that if it did not bring more than offered by Solingen it should be turned over to him.

HE MEANT BUSINESS.

From December Success. A Davenport boy went to New York to solicit a position to travel for a wholesale house. He went five times to one establishment, and every time was told that they did not want to engage him. He tried to prevail on them to allow him to make a trial trip, but to no avail. Finally he proposed to buy a stock of goods that was business, and they were ready to sell. He then went on the road on his own account, and made money; so, when the firm saw that he meant business, they were ready to employ him, and he is now wealthy, being a member of the firm. Not a boy in a hundred would have had his persistence, after a refusal. He was not doing his courage or faith as an aid to success. Another member of the firm had only fourteen cents when he reached New York to seek his fortune.

Annual January Sale of Fashionable Fancy Dress Goods

The tremendous reductions quoted below, tell at a glance what our aim is. We intend to clear out every yard of our Fall and Winter stock and fully expect to do so during the present month. If extraordinary values count for anything, there'll be a rush of buyers in the Fancy Dress Goods Department while this sale lasts.

- Lot I Double fold plaids, best styles and colors. Honest value for 15c. To close, 8c
Lot II About a hundred pieces of Whipcords and Jacquard Dress Goods. A marvel at the price 10c
Lot III 36-inch Jacquards, full color range. Best style and finish. Sale restricted to 25 pieces 15c
Lot IV 40 inch Canterbury Suitings. Two toned effects, in neat patterns. Dirt cheap at 19c
Lot V 38 inch Crepons in beautiful mixed brocade effects. A remarkable half price lot. 25c
Lot VI 40 inch All-Wool Silk and Wool, and fancy weaves. A fine selection of goods that sold from 50c to 75c. Your choice for 33c
Lot VII 40 inch Silk and Wool weaves, the cream of a most popular fabric that sold for 75c a yard. The sale price is 45c
Lot VIII 46 inch Pure Wool French Serges. Grand assortment of the best colorings. A triumph in bargain giving 39c
Lot IX Is mixed and consists of Pure Wool Serges, Homespun, Tweeds, Cheviots, Amaranth Stripes, etc. Worth 75c to 85c. Choice now 49c
Lot X All-Wool Pebble Cheviots, 48 inches wide and every new shade of the season. Our famous \$1.00 cloth at 69c
Lot XI 54 inch English Camel's Hair Suitings; the most fashionable cloth of the season for high class tailored suits or walking skirts. A very special bargain 98c
Lot XII 46 inch Heavy All-Wool Whipcords for Jacket Suits. Every good shade represented. Choice 69c
Lot XIII Consists of Real English Cheviots, 50 inch French Venetians, 50 inch Camel's Hair Suitings, etc. All high priced and high class goods. Choice now for 89c

Specialty.—Diseases of Women. Robt. D. Gibeon, M.D. Hours: 1 to 5:30 p.m. Consultation free.

Gobe Warehouse

NORTH SCRANTON.

On Saturday evening Benjamin Griffiths had James Mills arraigned before Alderman Myers, on a charge of attempt to kill and making threats. Griffiths had Mills working as a laborer for him at the Richmond mine. When pay day came there was a shortage in Mills' pay, which led to a dispute between the two parties. Mills, it is claimed by Griffiths, picked up an iron drill and threw it at Mills (Griffiths). The latter says he also

Demand for Sulphate of Copper.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 6.—According to United States Consul Bruce at Belfast, there is a great demand in Ireland for sulphate of copper in its raw state for use in the manufacture of artificial manure, etc., and it is desired a good opening for American dealers in that commodity.

Wanted for Forgery.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Chicago, Jan. 6.—Helen M. Hook, agent for the Knights Templar and Masons Life Indemnity as